VI. *Part of a Letter from Mr.* Thorſeby, *dated* Leeds, July 10. 1697. *to Dr.* Martin Liſter, *Fellow of the Colledge of Phyſicians and Royal Society; concerning Two Roman Altars lately found in the North of* England: *With Notes on the ſame, by* Tho Gale, *D.D. and F. R. S.*

I Have drawn the Figures of Two Roman Altars, which my Correſpondent in the North tranſmitted to me for my Thoughts of them; the former was taken out of the *Roman-wall*, not far from *Collerton*, or *Chollarton**, and may tempt us to believe that the old *Procolitia*, which was the Station of the *Cohors prima Batavorum*, was rather there, which is an important Place, (where the River *Tine* interrupting the courſe of the *Wall* it was but neceſſary that the Foard ſhould be ſecured by making one of the Cohorts keep that Station, and it is but two Miles and a half from *Carrow*, (where the Altar now is in the Poſſeſſion of Mr. *Forſter*) than at *Pruddow*, which is at leaſt Ten Miles diſtance where Mr. *Camden* ſeem'd to fancy it. The other is at *Blenkinſop* † *Caſtle* in *Northumberland*, which I take to have been dedicated by *Lucius Annius* to the Goddeſs Nymphs Old and Young, and particularly to the *Debonair* (if *Urbana* be taken appellatively) *Manſueta Claudia*; for thus I read it, *DEABVS*

* Prope Colerton Cilurnum. Notitia Dignitatum imperii, eſt tamen Procolitia alius locus a Cilurno.

† Propè Blenkenſhop & Widen, Vettii. Circa hæc loca fontes. Utrumque Nomen hoc indicat.

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NYMPHIS Veteribus ET IV ioribus MANSVETAE CLAVDIAE VRBanæ, nuncupavit Hoc Lucius A IVS; and hereby the Defects in the Stone ſeem to be ſupplied with a right Number of Letters in each Vacuity, and this I the rather apprehend to be right, becauſe 'tis now a Year ſince I communicated the ſame to an ingenious Gentleman, Dr. *Cay* of *New-Caſtle* (who was the Perſon that courteouſly ſent me the Copies of both) and I hear not it is diſapproved by any Critick upon the Place.

VII. *Of the Manner of the Generation of Eels.* By *Mr.* Benjamin Allen.

THE Manner of the Generation of Eels, as familiar a Subject as it is, has been a Queſtion unreſolv'd ever ſince *Ariſtotle*, and reputed Spontaneous: And the Reaſon of the Difficulty of diſcovering it, is the different way of Generation, and that they breed in *February*, a time when few are taken but what are preſerved in Trunks or Ponds, where they breed not. This I examin'd Two Years ſince, in ſome taken at a Mill, in which Holes they breed, eſpecially near Gravelly Shallows, and found one with Egg, another with Six young ones in the great Inteſtine, which I call the Strait Bowel, that deſcends immediately from the Pylorus until the Winding begins; they were faſtned to a very ſmall Placenta each, which was fixt to the Inteſtine, the Meſeraicks at that time were very turgid: The Eggs were on the Outſide of the Inteſtine. It is certainly Viviparous, and feeds not, at leaſt Groſs, in the Winter, during all which they lye ſtill till they have diſcharg'd their Young.

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